MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2021 CITY COMMISSION MEETING

The City Commission of the City of Holton met at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall on Monday evening, November 1, 2021. Commissioners Mike Meerpohl, Tim Morris, Marilyn Watkins, and Eric Bjelland were present. Mayor Bob Dieckmann was also present.

Mayor Bob Dieckmann called the regular meeting to order.

Minutes of October 18, 2021 meeting were approved as written.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE: Claims against the City of Holton between October 19, 2021 and November 1, 2021 were presented to the commission for their approval. After careful consideration, said claims were approved and given the title Appropriation Ordinance 2295. Mike Meerpohl moved and Tim Morris seconded the motion for their approval. Vote thereon: all; yes.

LETTER OF SUPPORT - NEKAAA: The Northeast Kansas Area on Aging Agency (NEKAAA) has requested the City of Holton send a letter of support to go along with their grant request to the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT). Marilyn Watkins made a motion to send a letter of support to NEKAAA. Mike Meerpohl seconded the motion. Vote thereon: all; yes.

Kerwin McKee reported that it is almost Sitzler Fund time again and asked commissioners to let City Clerk, Teresa Riley, know if they had any suggestions for recipients of the fund. McKee also reported that after a rather long process, the city has received \$64.77 from the State of Kansas for unclaimed property. He also handed out a calendar of upcoming events with the Holton/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce.

McKee also told the Commission that we need to be thinking about what projects we would like to use the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) funds for. There are several limitations on what you can use if for, but water and sewer are on the list. He would like to look at using the money to extend the water line under US 75 Highway by Walmart to complete the loop around the city. He would also like to use some of it for Cured-In-Place Pipe (CIPP) projects with the sewer lines.

McKee also asked if it would be alright to look at getting the employees some type of City of Holton clothing item. Commissioners agreed it was fine.

Mike Meerpohl commented that the city might want to consider a donation toward the murals that are going to be painted on downtown store building. Tim Morris commented that we have not been approached for a donation and he would like more information before deciding.

Meeting Adjourned.

Teresa Riley City Clerk